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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 10, lines 29-32, please replace the paragraph with the following:

--Figures 2A and 2B illustrate the comparison of the nucleic acid (Figure [2A] 2B; (SEQ ID NOS: 1 and 2)) and protein (Figure [2B] 2A; (SEQ ID NOS: 25 and 26)) sequences *_{HS}Kin17* and *_{Mm}Kin17*. Nucleotides = 86% identity, amino acids = 92.4% identity.--